19-657 Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts

The Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts (LSMA) is a preeminent state-supported residential high school with competitive admissions for high ability students. The mission of the Louisiana School is to foster in its young scholars lifelong growth toward reaching individual potentials and toward finding places of work and service in a global society through the examination and exchange of ideas in a community of learners.

The goal of LSMSA is to strive to provide a challenging educational experience in a nurturing residential environment for all the students it was created to serve.

LSMSA has four programs: Administration/Support Services Program, Instructional Services Program, Residential Services Program, and the Telelearning Program.

The Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts (LSMSA), located in Natchitoches, is a unique educational institution, providing and advanced curriculum and program for academically- and artistically-motivated high school juniors and seniors from throughout the State of Louisiana. The school was created by state law, and those statutes are contained in R.S. 17:11961, et seq. The stated legislative intent for the school is to "establish an independent, residential school for certain high school students with the expressed purpose of providing a more challenging experience for the gifted and talented children of this state and of developing such children to their full potential." The school opened and formally began operation in the fall semester of 1983.

BUDGET SUMMARY

						RECOMMENDED
	ACTUAL 1999 - 2000	ACT 11 2000 - 2001	EXISTING 2000 - 2001	CONTINUATION 2001 - 2002	RECOMMENDED 2001 - 2002	OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$4,998,379	\$5,391,576	\$5,496,739	\$5,815,605	\$5,447,998	(\$48,741)
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	808,597	818,314	818,314	818,314	811,730	(6,584)
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	273,845	335,616	335,616	335,616	340,616	5,000
Statutory Dedications	0	63,750	63,750	63,750	83,679	19,929
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$6,080,821	\$6,609,256	\$6,714,419	\$7,033,285	\$6,684,023	(\$30,396)
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration/Support Services	\$995,573	\$1,080,310	\$1,080,310	\$1,447,843	\$1,232,095	\$151,785
Instructional Services	2,951,904	3,351,368	3,456,531	3,290,620	3,235,720	(220,811)
Residential Services	1,243,306	1,268,546	1,268,546	1,353,331	1,307,176	38,630
Telelearning	890,038	909,032	909,032	941,491	909,032	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$6,080,821	\$6,609,256	\$6,714,419	\$7,033,285	\$6,684,023	(\$30,396)
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	15	15	15	15	15	0
Unclassified	75	75	75	75	75	0
TOTAL	90	90	90	90	90	0

This agency's recommended appropriation does not include any funds for short-term debt.

In addition to the above recommended appropriation, \$61,939 will be paid in Fiscal Year 2001-2002 for long-term debt incurred on behalf of this agency from the previous sale of bonds. Total long-term debt service payments for the state for Fiscal Year 2001-2002 are reflected in the Governor's Executive Budget Supporting Document in Non-Appropriated Requirements, Schedule 22-922.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and/or the Teachers' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana:

State General Fund (Direct) \$246,908 State General Fund by: Fees & Self -generated Revenues 1,377

Total \$248,284